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Dear Harold,

I redd it all, and I hate to say it but I can't bring myself to begin the endless job of chasing it down when all it may yield is old gossip. Even if it were Pierce, it sounds like the old CIA/FBI self-promoting reports to try to make some guy's speculation sound like inside skinny. God knows we've both seen enough of that kind of stuff designed to cover the wasted time and the good lunches... As to the office, I almost never try to fob off anything on them down there anymore. If I want it done, I do it myself rather than impose on some kid who has his own fish to fry. Anyway, thanks. But on this one, I ~~want~~ pass, Best,

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